the food handler's endorsement "(F.H.)."

- (f) A merchant mariner's document endorsed as able seaman or as lifeboatman shall be a certificate of efficiency as lifeboatman.
- (g) Every merchant mariner's document shall be a certificate of identification unless the holder also holds a continuous discharge book. The holder of a certificate of identification in the form issued before November 1, 1945, shall surrender that certificate before he is issued a merchant mariner's document.
- (h) When a merchant mariner's document is issued, renewed, or endorsed. the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection, will determine whether the holder of the document is required to hold an STCW endorsement for service on a seagoing vessel, and then, if the holder is qualified, the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection will issue the appropriate endorsement. The Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection will also issue an STCW endorsement at other times, if circumstances so require and if the holder of the document is qualified to hold the endorsement. The Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection will issue an STCW endorsement for the following ratings:
- (1) A rating forming part of a navigational watch on a seagoing ship of 500 GT or more if the holder of the document is qualified in accordance with STCW Regulation II/4 and Section A-II/4 of the STCW Code (incorporated by reference in §12.01–3), to perform the navigational function at the support level.
- (2) A rating forming part of a watch in a manned engine-room, or designated to perform duties in a periodically unmanned engine-room, on a seagoing ship driven by main propulsion machinery of 750 kW [1,000 hp] of propulsion power or more, if the holder is qualified in accordance with STCW Regulation III/4 and Section A-III/4 of the STCW Code, to perform the marine-engineering function at the support level
- (i) At the request of the holder of the document, the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection may add an endorsement to indicate that a qualified holder has received basic safety-training or

instruction required under Chapter VI of STCW.

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§ 12.02–12 Identity.

- (a) Each person applying for a merchant mariner's document shall present acceptable proof of identity. Proof of identity shall consist of two current forms of identification, one of which shall contain a photo of the applicant. The Coast Guard may require other identification information reasonably necessary to prove the applicant's identity.
- (b) The following credentials are acceptable proof of identity:
- (1) Unexpired U.S. military identification card:
- (2) Unexpired U.S. driver's license;
- (3) Unexpired U.S. passport;
- (4) Unexpired official identification card issued by a federal, State, or local government or by a territory or possession of the U.S. (including a federal employee's identification credential);
- (5) Unexpired port credential, with photo of the applicant, issued by State or local port authority;
- (6) Unexpired law enforcement credential, with photo of the applicant;
- (7) Unexpired merchant mariner's document issued after February 3, 2003;
 - (8) Unexpired foreign passport; or
- (9) Birth Certificate or Birth Registration, issued by a State, county, municipality or outlying possession of the U.S.

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§ 12.02-13 Citizenship requirements.

(a) Any person making application for a continuous discharge book or a certificate of identification or a merchant mariner's document representing a certificate of identification and claiming to be a citizen of the United States shall present acceptable evidence of such citizenship at the time of making application. No original document shall be issued to any person claiming to be a citizen of the United States until such citizenship is established by acceptable evidence.